Summary/Action Minutes

I. Mental Health System Series Part II: Adults & Older Adults

Attachment

Dr. Karyn L. Tribble, Interim Director, Behavioral Health Care Services, James Wagner, Adult System of Care Director and Lillian Schaechner, Older Adult System of Care Director, Behavioral Health Care Services, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the agency’s Mental Health System with the focus on adults and older adults.

Behavioral Health Care Services (BHCS) Agency has a total of $196,421,747 budgeted for the Adult System of Care in FY 16-17 and provides case management services (service team and Full Service Partnership) to approximately 4500 unique individuals a year. Wellness Centers provide a barrier free, drop-in service through five centers evenly distributed throughout the County. In FY15-16 the agency provided service to over 4000 unique individuals. BHCS will open a sixth Wellness Center in Berkeley in FY17-18. The Center will be jointly funded by BHCS and Berkeley Mental Health. The BHCS Vocational program is the only County program in the United States that is part of the Dartmouth Integrated Personal Services (IPS) vocational collaborative. IPS is the leading evidenced based practice for vocational services for the severely mentally ill. BHCS is in the process of adding $1 million in additional staff to Santa Rita jail mental health program.

Behavioral Health Care Services (BHCS) Agency has a total of $9,733,334 budgeted for the Older Adult System of Care FY 16-17. Mental Illness and substance use disorders (SUD) are major impediments to living well in old age. This is a population in critical need of education, targeted prevention and early intervention. Untreated mental illness and SUD among older adults exacerbates health conditions, decreases life expectancy, and increases overall health care costs. The Older Adult System of Care plays a vital role increasing access to age appropriate and effective local mental health and substance use prevention, education services.

Purpose:

☐ Report progress
☒ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.
II. **Home Visiting System of Care Update**

*Attachment*

Rebecca Gebhart, Interim Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented introductory comments and Kiko Malin, Director, Family Health Services Division, Public Health Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Agency’s Home Visiting System of Care.

High quality home visiting programs can increase children’s school readiness and enhance parents’ abilities to support their children’s overall development which improves child health and development. Other benefits include improved maternal health and well-being and improve family economic self-sufficiency.

During a Home Visit a comprehensive needs assessment is completed along with family goal setting. Nurses also screen and monitoring the family for depression, substance use, intimate partner violence and child development. Other services include: Parent education and support using evidenced based parenting curricula, linkages, referrals, ensuring access to services and resources in addition to counseling, support and case management.

Starting July 2017, the Home Visiting System of Care will have a funding gap of $1 million and in FY 18/19 the gap will increase to $2.2 million. By 20/21, the gap will be close to $3 million. If the program is unable to identify funding to fill the gap, 450 and 500 families per year will be affected. The Home Visiting System of Care Program requested funding to fill a portion of the funding gap.

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- [x] Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
- [ ] Other:

**Recommendation from the Health Committee:** Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

III. **Tuberculosis Control & Zika Update**

*Attachment*

Dr. Muntu Davis, Director, Public Health Department and the County Health Officer presented introductory comments and Dr. Erica Pan, Director, Division of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention, Public Health Department and Deputy Health Officer presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on Tuberculosis Control and the Zika Virus.

Tuberculosis is a slow-growing bacteria: *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* that is spread through the air and most commonly found in the lungs, but can cause disease in any part of the body. Treatment for TB consist of multiple drugs which must be taken for 6 months.

**TB in Alameda County**

In 2015, 139 tuberculosis (TB) cases were reported to Alameda County (excluding the City of Berkeley), which represents a 28.7% increase in cases compared to 2014 and more comparable to rates observed in 2011 and 2012. The 2015 TB case rate in Alameda County was 9.5 cases per 100,000 residents, ranking fourth among all jurisdictions in California and is 72.7% higher than the California state rate of 5.5 cases per 100,000 residents. Compared to other Bay Area jurisdictions, the rate in Alameda County continues to rank lower than San Francisco and Santa Clara counties, but is higher than Contra Costa, Marin and San Mateo counties.
TB Prevention

Tuberculosis prevention measures include medical consultation case management and Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) in addition to laboratory testing and improved access to care.

Zika Update

In Alameda County ongoing test request for the Zika Virus as of December 23, 2016 include 859 received and 686 approved. There have been six (6) Zika Health Advisories with ongoing enhanced mosquito surveillance. There has been a shift from Infectious Disease Emergency to long term response and the Public Health Department is awaiting a local funding allocation for an additional registered nurse. The Public Health Department also works with the health care community with limited public outreach.

The World Health Organization (WHO) announced shift from Public Health Emergency to long term response in November 2016. There has been local transmission of the Zika Virus in Texas in November 2016 and areas are shifting Miami, FL, but initial areas controlled. There is also an increase in the availability of testing at private labs. Travel advisories were issued for holiday travelers and the Zika Response and Preparedness Appropriations Act of 2016 was established.

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☐ Other:

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.